

## SPANISH INFLUENZA RAGES IN U.S.

Thousands of Cases Reported With Many Deaths.

### THOSE WHO ARE MOST SUSCEPTIBLE TO IT

"FRUIT-A-LIVES"—The Wonderful Fruit Medicine—Greatly Helps To Resist This Disease.

The epidemic of Spanish Influenza which played such havoc in Europe, has reached this continent. Thousands of cases of the strange malady have appeared and many deaths are already reported. Surgeon-General Blue of the United States Public Health Service having stated that "Spanish Influenza will probably spread all over the country in six weeks".

Practically every ship which touches our shores from abroad, brings those infected with the disease.

Surgeon-General Blue urges that "the individual take all the precautions he can against contracting the disease by care and personal hygiene". Plenty of exercise should be taken; the diet should be regulated, etc.

Spanish Influenza affects most severely elderly persons and others whose powers of resistance are weakened by illness, work or worry, especially those who are "run-down" or "not feeling up to the mark."

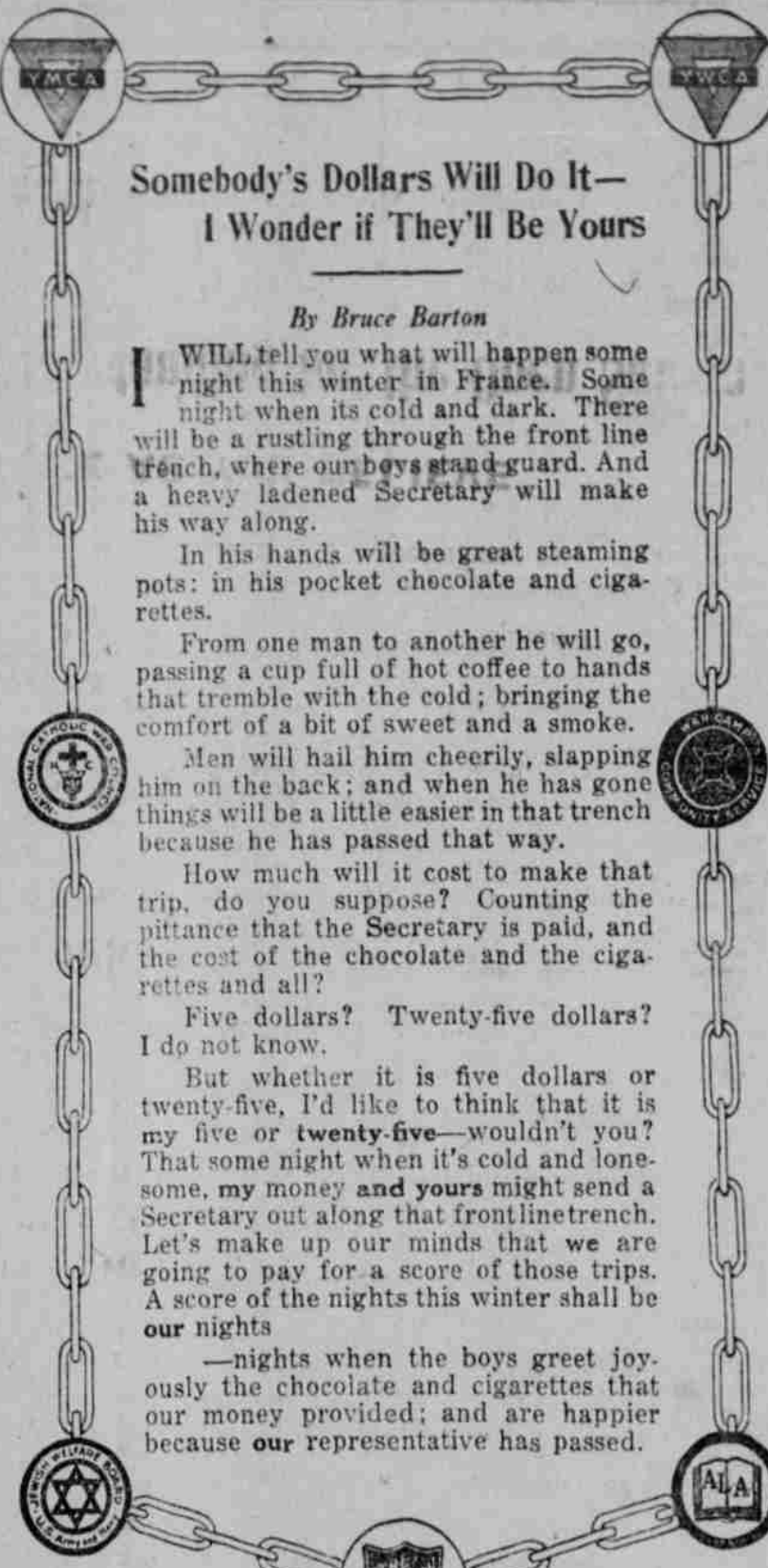
The really great danger from the disease is not so much in the disease itself, as that it often develops into pneumonia.

What everyone needs now is a general tonic like "Fruit-a-lives". This wonderful fruit medicine is not a germ-killer. It is a body-builder; a strength-maker; a blood-purifier; a power in protecting against the ravages of disease.

"Fruit-a-lives" regulates the kidneys and bowels, causing these organs to eliminate waste regularly and naturally as nature intended. "Fruit-a-lives" keeps the skin active, and purifies and enriches the blood. "Fruit-a-lives" tones up and strengthens the organs of digestion, insuring food being properly digested and assimilated.

Everyone can take ordinary precautions, avoid crowded places, and use "Fruit-a-lives" regularly to insure sound digestion, to keep the bowels and kidneys regular and the whole system in the best possible condition. Then we are safe from disease.

"Fruit-a-lives" is sold by dealers everywhere at 50c a box, 6 for \$2.50, trial size 25c or sent postpaid on receipt of price by FRUIT-A-LIVES Limited, OGDENSBURG, N. Y.



**Somebody's Dollars Will Do It—  
I Wonder if They'll Be Yours**

*By Bruce Barton*

WILL tell you what will happen some night this winter in France. Some night when its cold and dark. There will be a rustling through the front line trench, where our boys stand guard. And a heavy laden Secretary will make his way along.

In his hands will be great steaming pots: in his pocket chocolate and cigarettes.

From one man to another he will go, passing a cup full of hot coffee to hands that tremble with the cold; bringing the comfort of a bit of sweet and a smoke.

Men will hail him cheerily, slapping him on the back; and when he has gone things will be a little easier in that trench because he has passed that way.

How much will it cost to make that trip, do you suppose? Counting the pittance that the Secretary is paid, and the cost of the chocolate and the cigarettes and all?

Five dollars? Twenty-five dollars? I do not know.

But whether it is five dollars or twenty-five, I'd like to think that it is my five or twenty-five—wouldn't you? That some night when it's cold and lonesome, my money and yours might send a Secretary out along that front line trench. Let's make up our minds that we are going to pay for a score of those trips. A score of the nights this winter shall be our nights—nights when the boys greet joyously the chocolate and cigarettes that our money provided; and are happier because our representative has passed.

**United War Work Campaign**      **For the Boys in the Service**

#### CHAIR MILL DESTROYED

Disastrous Blaze in Green River Village.

Brattleboro, Oct. 31.—A fire starting from a stove in the old chair mill in Green River village this morning destroyed the mill and contents and a house owned and occupied by Mrs. Roe Thompson, also the barn on the Thompson place. The loss was from \$15,000 to \$20,000 and there was small insurance. The mill where chairs

and settees were made, giving employment to 20 hands, formerly was operated by the late Henry Stowe and was sold two years ago by his son, Fred Stowe, to F. E. Benson of Greenfield, Mass. It was operated by G. L. Roby. Citizens saved the covered bridge across Green River, 40 feet from the mill.

**Children Cry FOR FLETCHER'S CASTORIA**

#### DEMobilIZATION WILL TAKE TWO YEARS

Gen. Dupont Gives His Opinion As to Time Required to Bring Americans Home from France.

New York, Nov. 1.—Demobilization of the American forces in France will require a period of two years after peace is declared, according to a statement made here tonight by General T. Coleman Dupont, who has just returned from a two months' visit to the western front.

Declaring that his views were the reflection of official opinion among the allied forces, he suggested that American accustom themselves to the idea of a long demobilization as they had to that of a long war.

"One of our generals asked me," he said, "tell the people at home that our boys have a year's work ahead of them in removing the barbed wire the Huns have strung across France."

Asserting that the Civil war had "turned thousands of men back into civil life weakened and purposeless," General Dupont said the seven war work agencies should be supported generously in their approaching campaign. He declared that statesman-like plans are being laid for the trying period following peace.

"Every hut in France," he said, will become a university classroom on the day peace is signed. The boys will be given every educational advantage under leading educators and business men from the United States."

#### KING BORIS OF BULGARIA ABDICATES

Peasant Government Has Been Established at Tirnova Under the Leadership of M. Stambuliwsky.

Copenhagen, Nov. 2.—King Boris of Bulgaria, who ascended the throne October 3, has abdicated. A peasant government has been established at Tirnova under the leadership of Mr. Stambuliwsky who has been chief of the peasants for some time.

Tirnova in the middle ages was Bulgaria's capital. It is a commercial city of some importance on a tributary of the Danube.

London, Nov. 2.—M. Stambuliwsky is said to be in command of the Republican army of forty thousand, according to a Zurich despatch.

#### JUMPED INTO FIRE

After Killing Her Seven Children, Woman May Recover.

Havana, Nov. 1.—Grieving over the death of her husband, who had died of influenza, Mrs. Carmen Laveria, aged 24, of Camaguey, yesterday killed her seven children. She then set fire to the hut and leaped into the flames. She was rescued in a serious condition.

#### NEW LOAN TO FRANCE

\$200,000,000 Credit for That Country.

Washington, D. C., Nov. 1.—A new credit of \$200,000,000 established by the treasury in favor of France today brought the total credits to that country up to \$2,365,000,000 and the total for all allies to \$7,732,976,666.

#### BENNINGTON BRIEFS

News of the Town and Village Told Briefly for Busy Readers.

Priv. Ralph W. Gavitt of Co. A, 2nd Reg. N. Y. G., who has been visiting his parents on Maple street, has returned to camp.

Just received reorders of the beautiful Dennett and the new popular 9 inch Emerson phonograph records. DeWitt Lewis, optical shop. Adv.

The burial service of Blanche Sprague infant daughter of Mrs. Nora Sprague whose husband died recently, will be held Sunday at 2 p. m., in the village cemetery, Rev. P. L. Dow will officiate.

First Lieut. Frederick B. Cushman has been appointed Provost Marshal of the Baritan O. Training Camp in New Jersey. His duties cover the military discipline of the city of New Brunswick.

The funeral of Charles C. Harrington was held from his late home on Grove street Wednesday afternoon, Rev. P. L. Dow officiating. The bearers were his brother Abel Harrington, his brothers-in-law, Archie Camp, Alfred Niles and Robert Rose. Interment was in the Waite cemetery in Green Mountain Valley.

#### SOUTH-SHAFTSBURY

Services will be held at the M. E. church as usual Sunday. The Great Epidemic is the subject of the morning services. Do not forget Sunday school and the evening service.

#### Card of Thanks

We wish to express our thanks to our friends for their sympathy and kindness during the death of our beloved husband, son and brother and to those who sent flowers, especially the Black Cat Textiles Co., George Rockwood and Co., the Foresters and the Grange.

Mrs. Charles C. Harrington, Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Harrington, Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Niles, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Rose, Miss Ethel Robinson, Abel Harrington, Mr. and Mrs. N. I. Waite, Mr. and Mrs. Archie J. Camp, Mr. and Mrs. Frank R. Camp.

#### How a Salesman Suffered.

R. J. Porter, Sterling Col., writes: "For six months I suffered with a painful weak back. As a traveling salesman I had to stoop frequently to pick up my grip, which I grew to dread as the pain when I straightened up was awful. Numerous remedies failed to reach my case. I was induced to try Foley Kidney Pills. Relief was immediate. Say, they are great! Any one afflicted as I was should try a bottle or two of Foley Kidney Pills." Good for pain in the back, rheumatic pains, aching joints, sore muscles. Sold Everywhere.

## The Drysdale Store

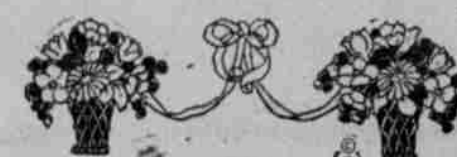
**Investigate** (this Store's prices on Standard Toilet Preparations  
(this Store's prices on Cottons, Sheetings, Percales, Flannelettes, etc.

**This Jackie Boy, who helped put Uncle Sam's Army across, says:**



"If you can't go across  
You can 'come across'  
With a liberal subscription for  
War Saving and Thrift Stamps"

WE BENNINGTONIANS have just got to rear right up on our hind legs and put this W. S. S. matter across. It's unthinkable, with the old town's otherwise splendid record, that this one blot upon our ascutcheon shall remain. LET'S GO TO IT!



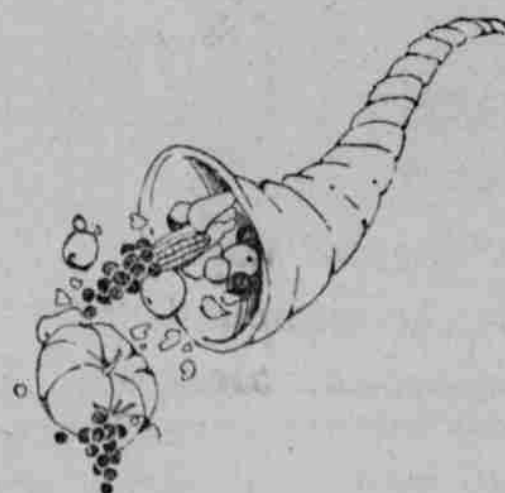
"THE BANNER" OFFICE staff, we are advised, is quite considerably depleted this week due to the prevailing epidemic.

THEREFORE, we make this Store's propaganda for today somewhat brief.

A RESPITE from an excess of ballyhooing we realize may also prove acceptable to the readers of "The Banner."

SO, COME ALONG, GOOD FOLKS, ALL—prepared to find what you have a right to expect.

**Every section of this Store bountifully stocked with  
Seasonable Dependable Merchandise  
all fairly priced**



## Alexander Drysdale & Son

P. S.

The Women's Shoe Section is just aching to show you the newest Footwear.

The collection of Women's Coats, Dresses, Furs, Skirts, Waists are wonderfully complete. Styles are truly delightful, prices are moderate.

For Invalids and Convalescents—superior assortments of warm Bed Clothes, Flannelette Wear, Lounging Robes, no end of other comforts.



## A Free Governor Needed

The Republican Committee calls for a big vote for Mr. Clement in order to make certain a large delegation of Vermonters to the Republican National Convention. Such a large delegation is desirable to the delegates. To Vermont, one thing is not only more desirable but sorely needed—a Governor staunch and free.

So staunch that at election time he advocates the same cause that he did before the primaries and, with a majority of Vermonters, stands for the ratification of the Sheppard amendment.

A Governor free to investigate any offence against the State, and, if need be, prosecute therefore.

### Is This Man Free?

It now appears that friends, including the Republican Candidate for Governor, have given the thousands of dollars needed to cover the shortage in the State Auditor's accounts for the last twelve years.

All voters may approve the sympathy, presumably shown. Many will know that no man, so sharing in an offense against the State, is free to act justly against the principal offender if duty to the State demands action.

### What Would Business Man Do?

An owner of a large business, having learned that an employee has been using business funds for his own purposes and, having this delinquent in mind, is considering two candidates for the superintendency of his business. He learns that one of these candidates has furnished means for making up the shortage of the delinquent. Can he expect just dealing toward either himself or that delinquent if he hires this man?

### If He Had Been a Democrat

Republicans would have noticed the first deficit of the auditor and would have made it his last.

Republicans would not have promoted him to higher office.

### VOTE AS YOU BELIEVE

**For CLEMENT, standing for the Open Saloon**

— OR —

**For MAYO and the Ratification**

**Mayo Club of Washington County**

## FOLEY KIDNEY PILLS GOLD MEDAL FLOUR

## HUN OR HOME?

Bennington County is seventh  
in the state

**PUT IT FIRST!**

**BUY YOUR W. S. S.**

**HARRISON I. NORTON**

**Society Women**

A number of the most noted Beauties of Society have obtained their pure soft pearly white appearance thru the constant use of

**Gouraud's Oriental Cream**

Send 10c for Trial Size

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